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1. The infantry barracks is opposite the railroad station, on Hétváni Street at the east edge of the town. East of the barracks runs the narrow-gauge railroad Nagykartai-Aszód. At the end of World War II there was an old barracks there, which was torn down; the new one was completed in 1950. The regimental troops are in the same town in another barracks. The barracks consists of: a four-story command building; three-story quarters; a one-story quartermaster building; a kitchen and canteen; a movie and meeting hall; a staff garage; a repair shop; two guardhouses; a gasoline and oil storage depot; an underground munitions depot with three concrete bunkers; 23 wooden garages for guns and cars. With the exception of the garages all buildings are of stone and brick construction. The roofs are flat and camouflaged, in spite of which the barracks is readily visible from air and ground. Concrete streets cross the courtyard. The whole complex is surrounded by barbed wire and there is a searchlight.

2. It is occupied by the 15th Motorized Rifle Regiment. The regimental commander is Major Pál Fülöp. The staff consists of: Chief of Staff Major Pálinkás; Adjutant First Lt. Berta; Operations Officer Major Hargay; an artillery officer; a communications officer; Technical Officer Major Takács; Political Officer Capt. Lajos Meszlér.

3. The quartermaster group consists of: a weapons and munitions officer; a clothing officer; a supply officer; a sports officer; an evidence bureau under Capt. Veszprémi; magazine men; 11 cooks; 14 hand workers.

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4. The technical service was organized at the end of 1951, the men being trained in Budapest. The commander is a major. It consists of a repair group with two shop cars, and a support group with two 3,500-liter tank trucks, numerous other trucks, and a magazine for tires and spare parts. The service is responsible for the care of all autos belonging to the regiment.

5. The head of the political and culture service is the political officer of the regiment. Under him are political officers: Capt. Vojtek, Capt. Hudu, First Lt. Hollós and First Lt. Nagy. The section also has a political instructor, a DISZ (Hungarian Military Organization) secretary, a Party secretary, a culture officer and several agitators.

6. The defense service consists of a regimental defense officer, with three other officers under him, and a special defense officer for the regimental troops. The regimental surgeon is Dr. Komán.

7. The 1st Battalion is an armored battalion of two companies. The 1st Company has 115 men and 15 T-34/76.2 tanks; the 2nd Company has 12 T-34/76.2 tanks and 110 men.

8. The 2nd Battalion is commanded by Capt. Dancs. It has two rifle companies; a mortar company of two platoons of three squads each, each squad having an 82 mm mortar; a machine gun company of three platoons, each of three squads, each squad having a Maxim machine gun. Directly under battalion are an AT platoon of two squads, each squad having a 76.2 mm AT gun; and a machine pistol reconnaissance platoon of three squads, 36 men all told. The 3rd Battalion is organized like the 2nd.

9. The armament is the best and most modern that can be obtained in Hungary. The regiment is fully motorized. There are 200 Wieppen cars, each of which can take 10 men. Part were delivered by the Soviets, part purchased in Italy in 1948 and completely overhauled. There are also 15 ZIS prime movers, 32 GMC towers and troop carriers; 68 GAZ 51 trucks, 6 Skoda Diesel 5-ton trucks; 5 jeeps and 6 GAZ jeeps.

10. The other infantry barracks is on Kartali gasse at the northeast side of the town. It has a capacity of 650 to 700 men.

11. This barracks is occupied by the regimental troops of the 15th Regiment. There is an accompanying battery of three platoons, each platoon consisting of two half-platoons, and each half-platoon has a 76.2 mm gun; there are 54 men. The AA machine gun company consists of three platoons, each platoon with three squads, and each squad having an AA machine gun; it has 116 men. The mortar company has three platoons, each platoon having two 120 mm mortars; it has 70 men. The engineer company has 44 men, but is equipped with hand tools only. The communications platoon has 42 men, a radio platoon, a telephone platoon, and a telephone central. The medical detachment consists of one surgeon and 16 men.

12. The regiment was organized at the end of 1950, two infantry battalions being provided from Pétervására and Rétság and a staff brought to Aszód from Piliscsaba. The uniforms are new, and each soldier gets two sets. In the beginning the weapons were old Soviet ones from World War II, but these have been replaced. Discipline is very severe, but the food is good.

13. The regiment is attached to the Esztergom armored division. The technical

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